

In 1990, the International Institute named her "Mother of the Year." Morrie was the matriarch of six generations living in Southern California at the time of her death.

The Roybal family is fortunate to have known Morrie Sanchez as a supporter and friend.

She is survived by daughters Dolores Sanchez, Rose Marie Barron, Carol Limon, and Sylvia Sanchez; sons-in-law Jonathan Sanchez and Gilbert Limon; 17 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; 29 great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great grandchild. She was laid to rest on June 25, 2015, at Calvary Cemetery in East Los Angeles.

TRIBUTE TO GORDON AND
PATRICIA SCHOENING

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Gordon and Patricia Schoening of Glenwood, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary.

Gordon and Patricia's lifelong commitment to each other, their children Suzanne, Bruce, and Jodi, their seven grandchildren, and their six great-grandchildren embodies true Iowa values. I applaud this devoted couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more years of happiness. I know my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family all the best moving forward.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE OF
AUBREY WILLIAM "BILL" FRENCH

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and contributions of Mr. Aubrey William "Bill" French for his commitment to the betterment of Ypsilanti, MI, and service to his community. Bill French's passion for business stimulated the local economy and instilled a confidence in other entrepreneurs to invest in Washtenaw County.

Mr. French's business career started in 1972 when he and his wife, Sandee French, opened Aubree's Pizzeria in Depot Town. The business became the foundation for Depot Town and it has been a special establishment in Washtenaw County since 1972. Aubree's continues to operate after 43 years, and it has grown to include 8 separate locations.

Mr. French was known as a passionate restaurant owner who worked hard to develop a strong rapport with his staff. He helped his team develop a strong work ethic, and supported their academic and professional goals. His skills as a mentor not only developed a restaurant; he built a family.

In addition to being a restaurant owner, Mr. French was the first president of the Depot Downtown Development Authority, and served on the Ypsilanti Economic Development Cor-

poration. For his service to his community, Mr. French received many awards throughout his life, such as the Small Business Person of the Year Award in 1994, and the Distinguished Service Award from the Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today to honor the memory of Mr. Aubrey William "Bill" French for his dedication to business, the City of Ypsilanti, and Washtenaw County.

RECOGNIZING BILL PRESS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Bill Press for his outstanding contributions to political commentary in the District of Columbia and across the country, and in congratulating him on the occasion of his 10th anniversary as host of the nationally syndicated The Bill Press Show, heard on the radio and seen on FreeSpeech TV. With offices located right here in Ward 6 of the nation's capital, Bill Press has remained consistent in informing Americans about our congressional legislation for statehood and voting rights, and D.C.'s fight to achieve equal citizenship.

Ten years ago, The Bill Press Show began as a nationally syndicated talk radio program. Today, the program is seen and heard nationally on radio, television, and on the internet. For more than four decades, Bill has made himself a go-to, reliable political pundit on radio and on television. Bill has covered both the Democratic and Republican national conventions in his time as host of The Bill Press Show and regularly covers the White House. As a former co-host of MSNBC's Buchanan and Press, CNN's Crossfire and The Spin Room, Bill Press built a national reputation for thought-provoking and humorous insights on American politics.

Bill Press is also the author of five books and writes a nationally syndicated newspaper column, distributed by Tribune Media Services. He is also a featured columnist for The Hill newspaper in Washington, D.C.

During Bill's storied career, he has received numerous awards for his work, including four Emmys and a Golden Mike Award. In 1992, the Associated Press named him Best Commentator of the Year.

Bill Press got experience many commentators lack when he chaired the California Democratic Party from 1993 to 1996 and served as chief of staff to California State Senator Peter Behr (R). He also served as director of the California Office of Planning and Research under Governor Jerry Brown.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me commending Bill Press and his entire team at The Bill Press Show, including his Executive Producer, Peter Ogburn, and his business partner, Paul Woodhull for their 10 years of outstanding service to the field of political commentary and their continued commitment to providing information and analysis to the American people.

HONORING THE GREAT SALT BAY
COMMUNITY SCHOOL IN
DAMARISCOTTA, MAINE

HON. CHELLIE PINGREE

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. PINGREE. Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to be from a state with a lasting tradition of supporting arts education. From Winslow Homer to Andrew Wyeth, Maine artists have long been recognized for their extraordinary talent. This is in no small part due to the emphasis that Maine schools have put on arts education. I'm so grateful for the many educators who have made teaching our youth about the arts a priority.

This year, the Great Salt Bay Community School in Damariscotta, Maine won the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation's SupportMusic Merit Award for the exceptional quality of its music program. They have led our state in arts education, and I am confident that their program serves as an inspiration to schools across the country that are looking to better educate their students about the arts.

Winning the SupportMusic Merit Award is a prestigious honor, and the entire Damariscotta community should be proud. This achievement belongs to the administration, teachers, students, families, and town as a whole. I am so proud to have this excellent school in my district. This award is a testament to its teachers' dedication and commitment to their students as well as to the tremendous talent that is required to motivate and properly educate students about music.

It gives me great pleasure to offer the Great Salt Bay Community School—along with its teachers, staff and students—my sincerest congratulations on this prestigious award, and my best wishes for the years to come.

COMMEMORATING THE PASSAGE
OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION
ACT OF 1947

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the passage of the "Presidential Succession Act of 1947."

Passed by the 80th Congress, the "Presidential Succession Act" was signed into law by President Harry S. Truman on July 18, 1947, in response to the sudden death of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the 32nd President of the United States.

The death of President Roosevelt was felt throughout the country, because FDR had held the office for over twelve years and seen the country through the Great Depression, the surprise attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor, and World War II.

When President Roosevelt died, Vice President Harry Truman was immediately sworn in as President; the position of Vice President remained vacant for the duration of the term, from April 1945 to January 1949.

President Truman prevailed upon the Congress to pass legislation that would correct the